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## EQUITY FARMERS HAVE A MEETING

Looking to the Interest of  
The Society.

Affairs of the Society Ably  
Discussed by Prominent  
Members.

The regular meeting of the Ohio County Union, A. S. of E. met at the Court house in Hartford, Friday, October 2, 1908. The meeting was called to order by President S. L. Stevens, who urged that the business of the Union be transacted with the greatest dispatch.

A roll-call of the locals showed 37 locals represented by delegates. The following committee on resolutions was appointed: D. Ford, Warren Taylor, J. R. Weller, Lou Black and E. P. Sanderfur. They retired to consider resolutions. The president announced that a few minutes would be devoted to talks for the good of the order, whereupon Rev. H. D. Burch asked if parties who had signed the pledge of the new organization who are now dissatisfied could, on legal basis, disregard the same and sign the regular Equity pledge. Ex-President David Moreland responded that he had consulted with a firm of lawyers and they informed him that the new organization would likely sue the regular Equity Finance Committee if they received any tobacco pledged to the new organization.

Mr. E. G. Austin responded with a splendid talk in support of the Co-operative Telephone business which has been in successful operation in some parts of the county. He made a motion, which was seconded, that J. M. Shultz be appointed to work up the co-operative telephone business. After thorough discussion the motion was lost.

Moved by L. B. Tichenor and seconded by R. Davis that we adjourn until 1 o'clock p. m. Motion carried. Promptly at one o'clock p. m. the Union reconvened for the transaction of business.

Moved by L. B. Tichenor and seconded by J. T. Phelps, that the vote on resolution providing that J. M. Shultz be appointed to work up the Co-operative Telephone business without discussion, the motion carried.

Moved by J. L. Miller and seconded by W. F. Stevens that J. M. Shultz be appointed to work up the co-operative telephone business. Moved by Rev. H. D. Burch and seconded by J. A. Drake that Mr. Shultz be recommended instead of appointed to work up the co-operative telephone business.

The vote being taken, resulted in favor of the amendment. The vote being taken on the motion as amended, resulted in the defeat of the motion as amended.

Moved by E. G. Austin and seconded by H. D. Burch that J. M. Shultz be appointed to work up the interests of the co-operative telephone business in Ohio county and that he devote not to exceed 20 days to said work. Vote resulted in the adoption of the resolution.

The committee on resolutions being now ready, reported as follows: We, the committee on resolutions beg leave to offer the following resolutions:

1 Whereas, there are divisions of American Society of Equity, we renew our allegiance to same, believing it to be the only safeguard for the farmer.

2 Resolved, That all parties who have not signed the tobacco pledge be given till the 15th, of this month, and then be debarred for this crop.

4 We recommend that the County meeting elect the tobacco grader, and in the event the buyer and our grader disagree, we elect the third man to settle the grievance.

4. We hereby present a copy of revisions and by-laws for consideration, handed in by local no 1534.

D. FORD,  
J. R. WELLER,  
E. P. SANDEFUR,  
A. W. BLACK,  
WARREN TAYLOR,  
Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was received and the committee discharged.

On motion the resolutions were ordered considered, section at a time.

Section One was read and without

discussion was adopted.

Section two was read and its adoption moved. After thorough discussion the resolution was adopted.

Section three was read and its adoption moved. It was moved and seconded that the grievance committee consist of three equity men instead of one. The motion carried. Thereupon the resolution as amended was adopted.

Moved by David Moreland and seconded by J. L. Miller that when the grievance committee is called out and decides in favor of the farmer, the buyer pay the committee and when in favor of buyer, the farmer pay the committee. The vote resulted in favor of its adoption.

Moved by Warren Taylor and seconded by J. L. Miller that the paper entitled "articles of incorporation and constitution and by-laws of the American Society of Equity of North America," be mailed to C. M. Barnett, president of the A. S. of E. at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, without action of the County Union. The motion was lost.

On motion it is ordered that the County Secretary issue warrant for \$31. to D. Ford for interest on money borrowed from the First National Bank to pay for tobacco handled of the 1907 crop and \$2.89 to J. D. Burch.

On motion the Union adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. Saturday Oct. 3.

At 10 a. m. Saturday October 3 the meeting was called to order by Pres. S. L. Stevens.

On motion it was ordered that both county papers be requested to call especial attention to that part of the proceedings limiting the time to the 15th day of October for the signing of pledges.

On motion it was ordered that pledges be sent to locals that have not yet received any.

On motion it was ordered that the body proceed to the election of a grader. On motion it was ordered that the election be made by nomination. The vote resulted in the election of Mr. T. F. Tanner.

Moved by L. B. Tichenor and seconded by J. L. Miller that a committee of two be appointed to audit the pooling pledges for the purpose of ascertaining the names of all parties who have signed the pledges and that the names so ascertained be furnished by the secretary to the grader of each house who, will thereby be governed in the receipt of tobacco, receiving tobacco of no party who has not signed such pledge. The vote resulted in favor of the motion.

On motion it was ordered that the resolution providing for a grievance committee of three Equity men be reconsidered.

Moved by J. L. Miller and seconded by J. R. Weller that the county Union appoint or select a grievance committee of one, who will act with a like committee selected by the buyer and a third man selected by the two, in determining any and all disagreements between the grader and buyer relative to the proper grading of tobacco. The vote resulted in the adoption of the motion. On motion the body adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m.

Promptly at 1 o'clock p. m. the body reconvened with vice president J. R. Weller in the chair. On motion it was ordered that the body proceed to the election of the grievance committee. On motion David Moreland was elected by acclamation.

On motion it was ordered that the Secretary proceed to the reading of the proposed constitution and by-laws. After the completion of its reading it was moved and seconded that the secretary be directed to forward the proposed constitution and by-laws to the committee on constitution and by-laws of the National Union. The vote resulted in favor of the motion. Moved and seconded that the matter of salary of grader and grievance committee be turned over to Finance Committee. On motion it was ordered that the body adjourn to meet the first Friday and Saturday in January, 1909.

S. L. STEVENS, Pres.  
C. E. SMITH, Secy.

Farmer Escaped Night Riders  
In Night Clothes.

Paducah, Ky., Oct. 3.—Twenty night riders called at the home of Clifton Osburn, a farmer, in Lyon county, about 1:30 o'clock this morning supposedly to whip him, but Osburn escaped in his underclothes through a rear window and went to the camp of the soldiers six miles away. The riders fired several shots at him. Soldiers with a bloodhound trailed the riders to where they had left their horses. Osburn says he will sell his farm and leave the state.

## NIGHT RIDERS KILL NEGROES

Wreak Vengeance on Dave  
Walker, of Color.

Kill Him, Daughter and Baby In  
Mothers Arms--Three Others  
May Die.

Hickman, Ky., Oct. 4.—Night riders wreaked a terrible revenge upon Dave Walker, colored said to have cursed a white woman and charged also with having drawn a revolver upon a white man, by setting fire to his house here to-night and shooting him and members of his family as they emerged from the burning cabin. Walker, his 5-year-old daughter and a small baby were killed outright, while the mother, who was carrying the baby in her arms at the time it met its death wound was shot through the stomach and will die. Three other children were shot down and may die as a result of their wounds, while the oldest son of Walker is missing. It is believed that he was burned alive in the cabin.

The night riders, numbering about fifty, surrounded the house of Walker shortly before midnight and commanded him to come out and take a whipping. Walker declined and fired upon the night riders, whereupon they saturated timbers of the house with coal oil and set fire to them. In an incredible space of time the house was a mass of flames and the shrieks of those on the inside were horrible to hear. Finally Walker, pleading for mercy, threw open the door of his cabin and ran out into the open. He was riddled with bullets and fell screaming to the ground.

Following close upon the heels of her husband Walker's wife appeared in the doorway. She held in her arms their infant child and begged the night riders for mercy. Disregarding her pleadings the infuriated mob opened fire and a bullet pierced the body of the infant in its mother's arms. A second shot struck the mother in the abdomen and she fell, still holding the dead body of her infant.

Terror-stricken by the flames, which were licking all sides of the cabin, yet fearing to venture into the open the remaining children of Walker made the night hideous with their screams. The 5-year-old daughter was the first to venture through the doorway, following the fate of her mother, father and the baby, but three other children followed close at her heels. The girl was killed outright, and the other children received wounds which it is believed will prove fatal. There is hardly a doubt but the oldest son of Walker preferred death by burning rather than to place himself at the mercy of the mob, and it is probable that his charred body will be found among the debris.

Before arriving at the home of Walker the night riders stopped at the home of Joe Williams, a white man, and compelled him to accompany them to the scene of the slaughter. When the night riders dismounted they left Williams to look after the horses a short distance away. As soon as the last member of the family had fallen the night riders mounted their horses and rode rapidly away without having left behind the slightest trace that might lead to the identity of any member of the band. News of the affair spread rapidly throughout the community and everybody is horrified.

Walker is said to have had the reputation of being a surly negro. It was charged that he had cursed a white woman and threatened to shoot the white man who went to the defense of the woman. The mob, it is believed, visited the home of Walker with the original intention of horse-whipping him, but when he fired into their midst he so aroused their indignation that their thirst for blood was not satisfied until the last member of the Walker family had been shot.

Conference Appointments.

At the Methodist Conference at Owensboro, which adjourned Monday the following appointments were made for this presiding elder district:

R. F. Haynes, presiding elder; Calhoun, J. O. Smithson; Centertown, R. D. Bennett; Central City, G. B. Overton; Cloverport, B. M. Currie; Fordsville, W. F. Duncan; Greenville, W. A. Grant; E. D. Ryan; Hawesville, W. A. Grant; Hartford, Virgil Elgin; Lewis-

burg, S. V. Turnipseed; Lewisport, E. N. Metcalfe; Livermore, R. H. Hartford; Owensboro, Settle Memorial, J. H. Young; Breckenridge street, to be supplied; Frayser avenue, formerly Main street, E. R. Bennett; Woodlawn, J. Barney Butler; Owensboro circuit, C. F. Hartford; Rome, E. E. Pate; Sacramento, J. T. DeMonbrum; Stephensport, F. R. Roberts; Sulphur Springs, R. E. Bailey; South Carrollton, W. C. Hayes; Yelvington, C. F. Williams; district missionary, W. P. Gordon.

They Butted in and Were  
Arrested.

A writ for the arrest of Misses "Mit" and "Pig" Burton, who live in the Alexander school district, just north of town, was taken out before County Attorney Woodward, last Wednesday. They are accused of committing a breach of the peace by striking and otherwise injuring Miss Mertie Lambert, who is teaching school at the above named place. It seems that the teacher undertook to correct Charlie Burton, a pupil, and a brother to the accused. The boy broke away from the teacher and went some and reported the occurrence to his sisters, who are grown young women, whereupon they proceeded to even up scores by giving the teacher a thrashing. The noise of the combatants attracted the attention of nearby neighbors who interfered and stopped the fight before much damage was done.

## DEMOCRATS TO USE NO MONEY OR WHISKEY

In County of Franklin Where  
Nomination is Equivalent  
To Election.

Frankfort, Ky., Oct. 3.—If any candidate for nomination in this county uses money or whisky in the primary election to be held on November 17 that candidate will forfeit his right to the nomination and the Democratic County Committee can take it away from him. A resolution, making this the rule for the primary, was adopted at a meeting of the County Committee, which was called to fix a time and manner for the selection of the county officers and none of the candidates who were present offered any objection to it.

Dr. T. R. Moore, the committeeman from Bailey's Mill precinct, caused a sensation by offering the resolution providing that no candidate will be permitted to use money, property, whisky or anything of value to secure votes, and providing that each candidate must take an oath before a proper officer that he will not use such things to secure votes, and after the election must declare that he did not so use said things.

It provides, further, that if it be proved that any winning candidate did use money or whisky the committee reserves the power to declare his nomination illegal and give the nomination to the next highest candidate or call another primary in that race.

Dr. Moore explained that the wholesale use of money and whisky in primary elections in this country every four years was a disgrace to the party, and this resolution was intended to put a stop to it. There were only four votes against the resolution and it carried, without any of the candidates making any objection to it.

The resolution providing for the primary on November 17 was offered by George Conway and it was adopted unanimously. It provides that candidates must put up their entrance fee on or before October 17. All known Democrats in the county and all registered Democrats in Frankfort will be allowed to participate in the primary. The estimated cost of the primary is \$395.

## Two-Headed Baby Girl Alive and Well

Bridgeport, Conn., Oct. 3.—A fine healthy, two-headed girl baby weighing eight pounds, has come to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Falen. Mother and babe are in the Bridgeport hospital and both are doing very well indeed.

The doctor and nurses say the babe will live in all probability. Her parents live at No. 119 Lake street.

Joseph Falen, the father is a business man and a well-known resident of North Bridgeport. Mrs. Falen is the mother of four bright healthy children.

## WILL SOON BE COMPLETED.

Construction Crews on M. H.  
And E. are Re-inforced.

Distance to Louisville Will Be  
Shortened and a Good System Inaugrated.

The Madisonville Hustler, of recent date has the following to say of the new railroad:

The new railroad from Madisonville to Fordsville will soon be completed and the management expects to have it in operation by January 1. The construction crew has been re-enforced in the past few days, a big crowd of workmen having been taken to Hartford from Louisville, says the Louisville Times.

With the completion of the new railroad valuable coal and timber land will be opened up in Hopkins, McLean and Ohio counties. Eastern parties have already bought large tracts of land lying near the railroad, and several coal mines are already being developed.

The Madisonville, Hartford and East on railroad is the name of the new road. It traverses a territory not now touched by a railroad, and gives Hartford, the county seat of Ohio county, a railroad outlet, something that the citizens of that town have been striving for for more than thirty years. The new road also shortens the distance from Madisonville and way points to Louisville more than forty miles, and will bring Louisville as close to that territory as Nashville.

At Fordsville the new road will connect with a branch of the Henderson Route. Only a short distance removed is the main line, and connections will be made with the Henderson Route for Louisville traffic.

## Breathitt County Shooting.

Jackson, Ky., Oct. 6.—Following the shooting of Joan Combs yesterday morning on Jetts Creek by App Murrell, a general fight was narrowly averted between rival factions near the Owensley and Breathitt county lines by a coolness and ready command of the men of Sheriff Crawford.

After Combs was desperately wounded by Murrell in the fight, Mr. Crawford was informed of the affair. He left his home above Athens accompanied only by Joan McIntosh. These two men followed Murrell into Owensley county and found him surrounded by more than a dozen friends well armed with Winchester.

After much parleying Murrell was induced to return with the officers on condition that he be accompanied by his armed following. He professed to fear violence at the hands of Combs friends, who are many and determined, unless he was guarded.

The party was well supplied with whisky and after a while began to quarrel among themselves. Just as the Breathitt county line was reached Judge Murrell became enraged at Ben Garrard, presented his 45 in Garrard's face and was just pulling the trigger when his effort was arrested by Sheriff Crawford.

The Sheriff finally succeeded in delivering his prisoner to Magistrate I. C. Terry.

The examining trial was held to-day which resulted in Murrell being granted bond for his appearance before the Breathitt county grand jury.

Dr. C. H. Hurst, who was called to see the wounded man, reports that though badly shot through the upper part of the left lung he has a bare chance for recovery.

## To Pay Teachers.

Last Saturday's Frankfort News says:—State Treasurer Farley, who has been looking after the interests of the school teachers, says in his opinion there will be enough money in the State Treasury by the middle of next week to pay all the country school teachers the first installment of their salaries, amounting to about \$375,000. It is expected that checks aggregating that amount will be sent to the various county school commissioners as early as possible next week. The money due the city school teachers amounting to about \$70,000 will be sent out later in the month, as there will not be quite enough to pay the whole of the first installment at the same time. Capt. Farley believes that be the middle of November

there will be enough money received from the Sheriffs to pay off every warrant issued by the Auditor and the State's creditors will have no trouble in getting their money after that time.

## Married in Colorado.

Mr. Virge Stevens and Miss Ora Barnett were married at Golden, Colorado, on the 20th, of last month in the presence of a few immediate relatives. They were both reared in the Nocreek neighborhood, but Mr. Stevens has been living at Gunnison, Colorado, for the past few years, and Miss Barnett went to Colorado about the first of September, ostensibly to visit her brother, Mr. Jo Barnett of Golden, at whose residence the wedding occurred. After congratulations the bridal party left for Gunnison where Mr. Stevens has a lucrative position with a lumber company. These young people are well and favorably known on the North side of the creek, where they have a large circle of relatives and acquaintances, who wish them a happy married life.

## MONTHLY REPORT OF HARTFORD COLLEGE.

Important Information in Regard  
to This Well-known Institution Of Learning.

Summary report of all departments for the month of September is as follows:

Total enrollment for the month, 242; average number of days attended per pupil, 17; number of days taught, 19; average number of pupils attending each day, 219; cases of tardiness, 36; per cent of attendance, based on enrollment, 90; per cent of attendance based on belonging, 94.

Regularity and punctuality of attendance are essential to success on the part of pupils; therefore parents are earnestly requested to see to it that their children are perfect in these requirements.

Pupils' report cards are sent out from the Primary Department at the end of each month. From all other departments report cards will be sent home to parents at the end of each quarter. Parents are requested to carefully examine, sign and return these cards.

Pupils in all grades above the fourth are expected to prepare some of their work each night for the next day. Students in the College Department who do not study at night will certainly fail.

## FOR THE BUSY READER

Gov. Willson appeared before the Christian county grand jury Tuesday. He spoke at Princeton in the afternoon and at Paducah last night.

Rewards for information that will lead to the discovery of W. E. Smith, the missing student of the University of Kentucky at Lexington now amount to \$250.

Gov. A. E. Willson spoke to a large audience at Hopkinsville Monday. The Governor devoted himself largely to the night rider situation and declared that the lawless bands were being broken up.

has dined the story that in a speech at Rock Island, Ill., he proposed that after Judge Taft and served two terms as President, President Roosevelt would again be a candidate.

Grant Daniels, a porter at the Phoenix Hotel, Lexington, was shot and killed by a bellboy. The shooting occurred in the crowded lobby of the hotel, and the guests were thrown into a panic when the firing began.

In a speech at Lexington Monday night Senator-elect W. O. Bradley said that President Roosevelt did wrong in the Brownsville case, but that Secretary of War Taft was in no way responsible for what the President did.

Frank P. James, State Auditor, has announced his intention of preparing a detailed statement charging county officers in Kentucky with grafting. The Auditor charges that one County Judge drew money for the support of a pauper idiot for eighteen months after the idiot died.